Amendments of the Drawings:

In accordance with the Examiner's requirement in the Notice of Allowance for new FIGURES 4, 11, and 12, applicants are submitting three (3) replacement sheets of FIGURES 4, 11, and 12.

REMARKS

Summary of Notice of Allowability

This application was allowed on September 19, 2006. The issue fee is being paid contemporaneously with the filing of this Amendment.

The Notice of Allowability, in pertinent part, objected to the specification because FIGURES 4, 11, and 12 were missing element numbers that correspond to elements 400, 1100, and 1200 in the specification. Furthermore, the Notice of Allowability objected to the drawings because element 450 in FIG. 4, and elements 504, 506 and 508 in FIG. 5 were not described in the specification.

Applicants' Reply

Applicants respectfully request entry, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.312, of the foregoing amendments to the specification and FIGURES as well as the entry of the amendment to claims 7, 40, and 46. The amendments to the specification are being made in response to the Examiner's requirements in the Notice of Allowability. The amendments to the claims are being made to correct minor and obvious typographical and grammatical errors. These amendments do not add new matter.

Applicants respectfully submit that the proposed amendments of the specification and claims "merely embody the correction of formal matters without changing the scope of the claims." Accordingly, entry of these amendments would "require no substantial amount of additional work on the part of the [Patent and Trademark] Office." (MPEP § 714.16.)

Entry of this Amendment, without withdrawing this application from issue, is respectfully requested.

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